103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3617

To amend the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 22, 1993

Mr. Shaw (for himself and Mr. Deutsch) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

November 23 (legislative day, November 22), 1993 Committee on Natural Resources discharged, considered and passed

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That section 104 of the Everglades National Park Protec-
- 4 tion and Expansion Act of 1989 (16 U.S.C. 410r-8) is
- 5 hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following
- 6 new subsection:
- 7 "(k)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
- 8 Act, the Secretary is authorized to use funds appropriated
- 9 pursuant to this Act, including any available funds appro-

- 1 priated to the National Park Service for construction in
- 2 the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Ap-
- 3 propriations Acts for fiscal years 1991 through 1994 for
- 4 project modifications by the Army Corps of Engineers, in
- 5 such amounts as determined by the Secretary, to provide
- 6 Federal assistance to the State of Florida (including polit-
- 7 ical subdivisions of the State) for acquisition of lands de-
- 8 scribed in paragraph (4).
- 9 "(2) With respect to any lands acquired pursuant to
- 10 this subsection, the Secretary may provide not more than
- 11 25 percent of the total cost of such acquisition.
- 12 "(3) All funds made available pursuant to this sub-
- 13 section shall be transferred to the State of Florida or a
- 14 political subdivision of the State, subject to an agreement
- 15 that any lands acquired with such funds will be managed
- 16 in perpetuity for the restoration of natural flows to the
- 17 park or Florida Bay.
- 18 "(4) The lands referred to in paragraph (1) are those
- 19 lands or interests therein adjacent to, or affecting the res-
- 20 toration of natural water flows to, the park or Florida Bay
- 21 which are located east of the park and known as the Frog
- 22 Pond, Rocky Glades Agricultural Area, and the Eight-and-
- 23 One-Half Square-Mile Area.".